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Comments: My family floats all three forks of the flathead spring summer and fall and we live in the valley. My biggest concern is how many commercial trips we see on the river. Between fishing guides, scenic trips, and white water trips the river is crowded with guides. Not locals or visiting rafters but commercial trips. Sure there should be some commercial use but the current levels are unfair to a general public. These guide companies are making a killing off of our resources at our expense. The white water stretch from mocassan creek to west is painful. You cant float the rapids until September with out being 200yards from the nearest commercial party. Worst of all is the over use by fishing guides. They fish the same holes every day. Fish populations are not high in the three forks and the same fish are being hit every day. And you see it when you catch them. Lip scares dead fish at the bottom of the river reduced body condition. We dont need to permit the rivers to private citizens but rather limit commercial use. Which I doubt you will do since they will throw a fit and say their lively good is at stake but that is bs. They are losers with no other job skills except to exploit our resources at our expense and to their profit. You need to have the courage to limit commerical use permits.